

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ▼
HUMAN RESOURCES ENTERPRISE

APIARY INSPECTOR

DEFINITION

Under immediate supervision, on a seasonal basis examines and reports on honeybee colonies in order to identify contagious or infectious diseases common to bees; performs related work as required.

The Work Examples and Competencies listed are for illustrative purposes only and not intended to be the primary basis for position classification decisions.

WORK EXAMPLES

Examines bee colonies within an assigned area of the state for various brood and adult bee diseases, and checks for parasites, vermin or other disease agents by personally handling the colonies utilizing proper protective measures.

Reviews the methods and procedures used by beekeepers which affect the production of honey in order to insure compliance with related laws, rules and regulations.

Assists or instructs beekeepers in treatment or disease control measures.

Examines all appliances used in the production of honey assuring that their use complies with applicable health and safety regulations.

Prepares reports indicating the colony inspected, results of inspection and action recommended or taken.

COMPETENCIES REQUIRED

Knowledge of modern methods of beekeeping.

Knowledge of laws and regulations applying to the prevention and control of bee diseases.

Knowledge of diseases affecting bees and methods of eradication.

Ability to maintain effective working relationships with private beekeepers and the public.

Displays high standards of ethical conduct. Exhibits honesty and integrity. Refrains from theft-related, dishonest or unethical behavior.

Works and communicates with internal and external clients and customers to meet their needs in a polite, courteous, and cooperative manner. Committed to quality service.

Displays a high level of initiative, effort and commitment towards completing assignments efficiently. Works with minimal supervision. Demonstrates responsible behavior and attention to detail.

Responds appropriately to supervision. Makes an effort to follow policy and cooperate with supervisors.

Aligns behavior with the needs, priorities and goals of the organization.

Encourages and facilitates cooperation, pride, trust, and group identity. Fosters commitment and team spirit.

Expresses information to individuals or groups effectively, taking into account the audience and nature of the information. Listens to others and responds appropriately.

EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, AND SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Two years of experience in the keeping of bees, production of honey or enforcement of apiary regulations;

OR

fifteen semester hours of college or technical school coursework in entomology, biology, zoology or bacteriology for one year of the required experience with a maximum substitution of two years.

NOTE:

Travel may be required for positions in this class. Employees must arrange transportation to and from assigned work areas.

NOTE:

Applicants must indicate availability for an intermittent appointment on the application in order to be considered for vacancies in this classification.

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